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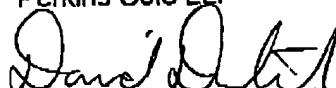
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In a March 29, 2004 telephone conference with Stephen Whelan regarding the above-referenced application, Examiner Merek confirmed that the Amendment filed November 26, 2003 has not been received. Applicant herewith submits a copy of the Amendment filed November 26, 2003, and documentation that the response was timely filed.

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If the Examiner has any questions, he is requested to contact David Dutcher at (206) 359-6465.

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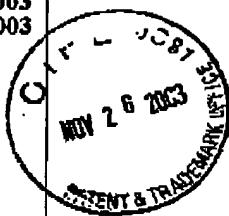
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